

SECTION 3 SPECIAL AGENCY PROVISIONS

3-1. General.

By submission of a rate offer under RFO Section 3-1, the submitting Participant agrees to the following terms and conditions applicable to a specific agency. The offer is also subject to the provisions as set out in this RFO and the provisions of the HTOS, supplements thereto and reissues thereof (RFO [Section 2-4](#)).

3-2. Department Of Veterans Affairs (VA)

3-2.1. Released Valuation.

In lieu of released value as provided for in Item 190-1 of GRT, STB HGB 415-G, supplements thereto and reissues thereof, all VA shipments shall be released at \$6.50 with a maximum carrier liability of \$110,000.00 applicable to both shipments in transit and SIT. Except as noted otherwise, the remaining provisions of Item 190-1 will apply. There will be no additional cost to the VA for this level of service during transit or SIT. The storage liability charge does not apply for the basic released value.

3-2.2.Excess Released Value.

3-2.2.1. Transportation.

In the event the employee declares a value greater than the base valuation of \$6.50 times the net weight of the shipment in pounds, a Full Value Protection Service Shipment Charge of \$0.85 will apply on that portion of the valuation declared in excess of shipments released value of \$6.50 times the weight.

3-2.2.2. Storage-in-Transit.

In the event that the employee declares a value greater than \$6.50 times the net weight of the shipment in pounds, a storage liability charge of \$0.18 per \$100 will apply on that portion of the valuation in excess of \$6.50 per pound released value or \$110,000.00 whichever is less.

3-2.3. Weight Variance.

In lieu of the weight variance of 115% as provided for in [Section 2-7.12](#) of this RFO, all VA shipments shall be subject to a 110% weight variance.

3-2.4. Rate Basis.

By submission of a rate offer under RFO [Section 3-2](#), the Participant must have the ability to self-pack, load, and, haul interstate (including Alaska) and intrastate shipments. This is defined as a Participant who can contain a movement of property within its own operational capabilities without recourse to another Participant. **Note: This does not apply to international shipments.**

3-2.5. Volume.

The VA is estimating that the volume of shipments under this RFO is 1,400 shipments.

3-3. U.S. Department Of Agriculture, Forest Service

3-3.1. General.

Participants submitting offers in accordance with RFO Section 3-3, may file offers applicable between the points specified in RFO [Section 5-2 and 5-3](#) and identified as Agency Specific Codes in RFO [Section 5-1](#).

3-3.2. Released Valuation –International.

In lieu of the carrier liability at \$5.00 as provided for in the HTOS (Section 10 of the ITOS), supplements thereto and reissues thereof, the participant must offer surface shipments being released at a base value of [\\$8.00](#) times the net weight of the shipment in pounds. All other provisions of Section 10 and this RFO will apply. There will be no additional cost to the USDA, Forest Service for this level of service during transit or SIT. The storage liability charge does not apply for the basic released value.

3-3.3.Excess Released Value.

3-3.3.1. Transportation.

In the event the employee declares a value greater than the base valuation of \$8.00 times the net weight of the shipment in pounds, a Full Value Protection Service Shipment Charge of \$0.85 will apply on that portion of the valuation declared in excess of shipments released value of \$8.00 times the weight.

3-3.3.2. Storage-in-Transit.

In the event that the employee declares a value greater than \$8.00 times the net weight of the shipment in pounds, a storage liability charge of \$0.18 per \$100 will apply on that portion of the valuation in excess of \$8.00 per pound released.

3-3.4. Volume.

3-3.4.1. USDA, Forest Service.

The Forest Service is estimating that the total volume of shipments under this RFO is 200 shipments.

3-4. Department of State (DOS)

3-4.1. General.

Participants submitting offers in accordance with RFO [Section 3-4](#), may file offers applicable between the points specified in RFO [Section 5-2 and 5-3](#) and identified as Agency Specific Codes in RFO [Section 5-1](#).

3-4.2. Application of Transit Times on International Shipments.

In lieu of the transit times identified in Paragraph 5.9.1 of the ITOS, the following criteria shall be used for determining international required delivery dates (RDD) on DOS shipments between the United States and foreign countries:

- ~~///~~ For transit times 55 days or less, subtract 5 days to establish the new RDD.
- ~~///~~ For transit times 56 days or higher, subtract 10 days to establish the new RDD.

The following areas are not listed in the ITOS; therefore, the transit times are identified as shown:

- ~~///~~ Austria – 50 days
- ~~///~~ Hawaii – 45 days
- ~~///~~ Puerto Rico – 45 days
- ~~///~~ Russia – 65 days

3-4.3. Released Valuation –International.

In lieu of the carrier liability at \$5.00 as provided for in the HTOS (Section 10 of the ITOS), supplements thereto and reissues thereof, the participant must offer surface shipments being released at a base value of \$8.00 times the net weight of the shipment in pounds. All other provisions of Section 10 and this RFO will apply. There will be no additional cost to the DOS for this level of service during transit or SIT. The storage liability charge does not apply for the basic released value.

3-4.4. Excess Released Value.

3-4.4.1. Transportation.

In the event the employee declares a value greater than the base valuation of \$8.00 times the net weight of the shipment in pounds, a Full Value Protection Service Shipment Charge of \$0.85 will apply on that portion of the valuation declared in excess of shipments released value of \$8.00 times the weight.

3-4.4.2. Storage-in-Transit.

In the event that the employee declares a value greater than \$8.00 times the net weight of the shipment in pounds, a storage liability charge of \$0.18 per \$100 will apply on that portion of the valuation in excess of \$8.00 per pound released.

3-4.5. Volume.

3-4.5.1. DOS.

The DOS is estimating that the volume of shipments under this RFO is 500 shipments.